

AGENDA MEETING

Mayor and Council

Borough of Harrington Park, New Jersey

March 13, 2017

Councilman Napolitano, Council President Called the Meeting to Order-Time: 7:01pm

Mayor's Announcement:

In compliance with Chapter 231, Public Law 1975, adequate notice of the meeting was made. It is included in the Annual Meetings posted on the bulletin board in the Municipal Center. Copies have been emailed to the BERGEN RECORD, SUBURBANITE and THE NORTHERN VALLEY PRESS. A copy has been filed with the Borough Clerk, and copies have been mailed to individuals requesting the same.

(ALB) Roll Call:

	PRESENT	ABSENT
NAPOLITANO(AN)	x	
EVANELLA (GE)		x
WALKER (DW)	x	
FITZGERALD (LF)	7:16pm	
PEDERSEN (JP)		x
CHUNG (JC)	x	

Also present:

Ms. Ann H. Bistriz, Borough Clerk (ALB)

Mr. Kunjesh Trivedi, CFO

(AN) Consent Agenda-Resolutions-

All matters listed under this section are considered to be routine by the Borough Council and will be enacted by one motion as listed below. There will not be separate discussion of these items. Should discussion be desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately under New or Old Business on the Agenda.

Consent Approval Items (A-D)

Road Closure for Holy Thursday Procession for Our Lady of Victories Church A

Lions Club Coffee and Cars B

Junior Volunteer Fireman-Soojin Kang C

Budget Transfer D

Motion JC

Second DW

Roll Call AIF

Individual Committee Reports

(PAH) Mayor Hoelscher

(AN) Planning Bd., Bd. of Adjustment, Construction, Fire, Ambulance

(GE) Police, Municipal Court, Personnel

(DW) DPW, Building & Grounds, Sanitation/Recycling

(LF) Board of Health, Environmental Commission

(JP) Finance, Admin. & Exec., Grants

(JC) Recreation Commission, Liaison to Board of Education, Public Information

BOE has sent out a survey to determine the opinion of having a preschool for 4-5 year olds from Harrington park-63 positive responses have been received. This program would use 3 teachers that are already working in the school, utilizing 3 classrooms. This would not impact the Valley Program and the tuition based program would cover the costs and salaries of the teachers and the program. Demarest and Closter already have a program similar to the one the BOE is considering.

BOE final savings for the roof bond refinancing will save \$70,000 over 5 years. Savings will be passed back to the residents.

(ALB) Borough Clerk/Administrator

Additional Notary-so many residents come to the Clerk's Office for Notary Services. Historically, the Land Use Sac's has been a notary-this helps them with their position as well as provides additional service for our residents. ALB recommends Florence Savoye be approved to become a second notary for the municipality.

Part Time Coverage-Clerk's Office-Always good practice to have someone available to cover any office in the Borough Hall if necessary. Resolution will be on the agenda next meeting to appoint someone at the salary as per the salary ordinance.

Dog Census-As per State Statute, it is time to perform a census of unlicensed pets.

Old Business

New Business

(JP) Municipal Budget 2017

Moderate increase for all residents 1.9% (under the 2% Cap). Additional budget items included Planning Board, COAH and Public Library. \$60,000 placed in reserve for tax appeals. Average home of \$539,007 will have an increase in Municipal taxes of \$70. Very stable budget. If anyone has any questions they should reach out to the CFO.

Ordinance #709 First Reading-Addendum E

CALENDAR YEAR 2017 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK (N.J.S.A. 40A-4-45.14)

Motion JP

Second JC

Roll Call Vote AIF

Introduction of 2017 Budget-Addendum F

Motion JP

Second DW

Roll Call Vote AIF

**Authorizing Increase in Deferred School Taxes for Local District School Taxes-
Addendum G**

Motion JP

Second DW

Roll Call Vote AIF

Ordinances-none

Meeting Open to Public

Motion DW

Second JC

Vote AIF

Mr. Paul Hummel, Northern Valley Press inquired into the cost of a dog license. ALB explained that the fee is \$13.20/ \$16.20 with a \$10 late fee each month from Feb to June. Then a summons is sent out.

Meeting Closed to Public

Motion JP

Second DW

Vote AIF

(PAH) Motion for Closed Session Time: 7:18pm

Second

Vote

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 10:4-12 permits a public body to conduct business in Closed Session during a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council deem it necessary to discuss certain matters in Closed Session as permitted by the aforesaid statute.

1. Contractual: Emergency Communications

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that discussion of the aforementioned subjects may be made public at such time as disclosure of the discussion will not detrimentally affect the interest and Borough as to said discussion.

Return to Open Session

Adjournment-Time: 7:35pm

Motion: JP

Second: DW

Vote: AIF

Addendum A
RESOLUTION

2017-56

Road Closure for Holy Thursday Procession for Our Lady of Victories Church

Therefore Be it Resolved, The Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park approve the street closure of Lynn Street between The Parkway and Harriot Avenue on Thursday April 13th, 2017 between 7:30 and 9 p.m. at the request of Our Lady of Victories Church for purposes of a procession from the gymnasium to the church for Holy Thursday Services. Request shall be coordinated with the Chief of Police and DPW Superintendent.

Addendum B
RESOLUTION

2017-57

Lions Club Coffee and Cars

Therefore Be It Resolved that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park approve the request of the Harrington Park Lions Club to hold Coffee and Cars at Borough Municipal Parking Lot and utilize the Borough Hall bathrooms (8:00 am-12Noon) March 25, 2017. Parking spaces utilized shall be limited to those in the center of the lot and along Short Place. Designated spaces for first responders shall be kept accessible at all time.

Addendum C
RESOLUTION

2017-58

Harrington Park Volunteer Fire Department Junior Membership

WHEREAS the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park approve the admittance of the following member in the Harrington Park Junior Volunteer Fire Department:

Soojin Kang

BE IT RESOLVED that applicants shall also be approved for membership with the signed permission of his/her parent or guardian and medical examination

Addendum D
RESOLUTION

2017-59

Transfers

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Harrington Park that upon the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer, the following transfers be made at this time between 2016 Budget line items.

TRANSFER

FROM:

6-01-26-290-000-200

\$ 8000.00

Road Repair Maintenance

TO

6-01-21-180-000-299 \$ 4000.00

Planning Board OE

6-01-28-370-000-225 \$ 4000.00

Park and Recreation OE

Addendum E

ORDINANCE #709

**CALENDAR YEAR 2017 ORDINANCE TO EXCEED
THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE
AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK
(N.J.S.A. 40A-4-45.14)**

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 0.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of Harrington Park in the County of Bergen finds its advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2017 budget by up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget of said year, amounting to \$147,428 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Harrington Park, in the County of Bergen, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the CY 2017 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of Harrington Park shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5%, amounting to \$147,428, and that the CY 2017 municipal budget for the Borough of Harrington Park be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

Addendum F
Introduction of 2017 Budget
2017-60

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following statements of revenues and appropriations attached hereto constitute the local Budget of the Borough of Harrington Park, Bergen County, New Jersey for the year 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the said budget be published in The Record in the issue of March 21, 2017, and that a hearing on the Budget will be held at the Municipal Building on April 10, 2017 at 7:00 o'clock (P.M.) or as soon thereafter as the matter may be reached.

Addendum G
Authorizing Increase in Deferred School Taxes for Local District School Taxes
2017-61

WHEREAS, the Division of Local Government Services requires that the Governing Body of any municipality which has Deferred School Taxes must authorize any increase in the deferral amount, and

WHEREAS, the Borough desires to increase the Deferred School Taxes to an amount permitted under State statutes and to be effective at December 31, 2016.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Borough Council that the following Deferred School Taxes be hereby increased for the year ended December 31, 2016 as follows:

	Deferred Local District School Taxes
Amount Deferred 12/31/16	\$5,799,527
Amount Deferred 12/31/15	<u>5,618,201</u>
Amount of Increase	<u>\$ 181,326</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Borough Council that a certified copy of this resolution be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services.